



Assisting Alaskans Affected By Violent Crime Since 1985



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Save The Date

2022 Homicide Memorial Ceremony

Saturday, July 16th, 12pm

Hostetler Park - 3rd and L Street Anchorage

The Homicide Memorial Ceremony is a way for our community to honor our loved ones lost suddenly and without warning to homicide. As we gather and remember, we are reminded of our commitment to seeing justice for all victims of violent crime. We look forward to your joining us as we read the names of those added to the memorial in recent years, and those we never forget.

Hostetler Park was created by the generosity of individuals, groups, businesses, and foundations. You can ensure that it remains an honored space.



Support the Park
Donate Now!

Read my loved
one's name

The Ceremony will be
Live Streamed



Adding names, live streaming and holding the ceremony costs Victims for Justice approximately \$2,500 per year.

The homicide memorial has always been 100 percent funded through community contributions. If you would like to contribute to the memorial fund please make a donation to



Internet Safety Month: Prevention

June is Internet Safety Month



The Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) is working to raise awareness about Internet safety, as well as provide resources to keep kids safe online. Childhood today revolves around the internet - 80% of kids in the United States have access to a computer at home. On average, these kids spend about 45 hours each week in front of their screens.

It's also worth noting that Problematic Internet Use (PIU) can increase traits of aggression and violence. In fact, the quality of online exposure may contribute to young adults who have carried out serious crimes. We are still learning, but studies suggest they were significantly more likely to have viewed violent online content. [Click here for more info.](#)

In case you missed it: "A Million Strangers in Their Pocket"

In conjunction with "Internet Safety Month", and in the hopes that you watch it with your children, we once again present our video "A Million Strangers In Their Pocket"

Earlier this year, as part of Victims for Justice's commitment to violence prevention, we took a look at internet/social media use in Anchorage. We asked what individuals, families, and we as a community can do to protect our loved ones. In partnership with [Affinityfilms, Inc.](#), VFJ launched this video as a resource to parents and guardians of school-age children and to spark conversations about what can be done to help keep our kids safer when using social media, smartphones and online platforms. We thank Anchorage Police, Anchorage School District, Division of Juvenile Justice and the parents and teens who participated in the video and the Anchorage Health Department for providing the funding.





Basic Internet Rules for Kids

The best way to ensure your kids remain internet safe is to maintain an open dialog about their browsing and social media use. Unfortunately, 24/7 surveillance isn't exactly realistic so implementing basic rules helps maintain boundaries when they are practiced and enforced regularly.

Top 5 Rules:

- 1) Don't give out personal information
- 2) Never send pictures to strangers
- 3) Keep passwords private except from parents
- 4) Don't download anything without permission
- 5) Tell an adult if you receive a mean or strange message

[Read More Here](#)

Victims Have Rights Too

"You have the right to remain silent"...

Most people can recite the Miranda rights for criminals by heart, but not many actually know about victims' rights.

This is where advocates can be useful. We ensure that the rights of victims are protected and most importantly, that the individual who has been harmed knows they have rights from the beginning. [Knowing and exercising your rights](#) can lead to healing.



Get To Know VFJ

When we say "statewide" we mean it...

Over the last year, Victims for Justice has supported Alaskans affected by violent crime in over 40 communities throughout Alaska.

Our advocates work tirelessly to support those affected by homicide, assault, arson, robbery and other violent offenses.

We have a network of organizations and support services that we work with. Together, our goal is for all



Alaskans to have access to the services and supports they need and deserve.

Coming in July

[Homicide Grief Group](#)- The next meeting is scheduled for July 12th via Zoom. Meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month. If you have lost a loved one and are interested in participating contact pchristian@victimsforjustice.org.

Got a story idea for the newsletter? Email us at info@victimsforjustice.org

Contribute Today!

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